



Docket No. ITW-14144

Applicant: Lewis A. Haws

: Group Art Unit: 3721

Serial No.: 10/645,052

: Examiner: Tawfik, S.

Filed: August 21, 2003

: Date: February 27, 2004

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING
ZIPPER TENSION IN PACKAGING EQUIPMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application
is a Combined Amendment and Election of Invention.

FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS

A fee for additional claims is not required.
 A fee for additional claims is required. The additional fee
has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS: 39	- 39	= 0	x \$18 =	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 7	- 7	= 0	x \$86 =	0
		TOTAL FEE DUE	\$	0

Our check for payment of the additional claims fee is enclosed.

Please charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 15-0699 in payment
of the fee.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any
extension or other fee under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required
by this paper or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No.
15-0699.

Respectfully submitted,

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**COMBINED AMENDMENT AND
ELECTION OF INVENTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 6, 2004, the Applicant requests that the claims be amended as indicated starting on the next page.